

Revised: August 19, 2015

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
THIRD MEETING
of the
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**August 20, 2015
Navajo Technical University
Crownpoint**

**August 21, 2015
University of New Mexico-Gallup
Gallup**

Thursday, August 20 — Navajo Technical University, Crownpoint

- 10:00 a.m. **Call to Order**
 —Senator John Pinto, Co-Chair, Indian Affairs Committee
- 10:10 a.m. (1) **Welcome and Status Update**
 —Rita M. Capitan, President, Crownpoint Chapter
 —Dr. Elmer Guy, President, Navajo Technical University
- 11:00 a.m. (2) **Navajo Community Outreach and Patient Empowerment (COPE) Project**
 —Rex Lee Jim, Vice President, Navajo Nation (Tenure 2011-2015)
 —Zane James, President, Tsaile Chapter; Vice President, Chinle Agency Council
 —Sonlatsa Jim-Martin, Program Manager, REACH Food Coalition
 —Hannah Sehn, Planning and Partnerships Manager, COPE Project
- 12:00 noon **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (3) **Native American Education: The Role of New Mexico's Charter Schools in Serving Native American Students and Communities**
 —Kayla Dawn Begay, Co-Founder, Dził Dítł'ooí School of Empowerment, Action and Perseverance
 —Arrow Wilkinson, Superintendent/Principal, Walatowa High Charter School
 —Kara L. Bobroff, Executive Director, Native American Community Academy (NACA), NACA Inspired Schools Network
 —Clarence Hogue, Jr., Governing Council, Dream Dine' Charter School

- 3:00 p.m. (4) [Inland Port Feasibility Study](#)
—David Lee, President, Tsayatoh Chapter
—Leslie Kedelty, Region 1 Representative, Economic Development
Department
—Michael Sage, Deputy Director, Greater Gallup Economic Development
Corporation
—Albert Lee, Program Manager, Eastern Regional Business Development
Office of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development
—Evan Williams, Deputy Director, Northwest New Mexico Council of
Governments

4:00 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, August 21 — University of New Mexico (UNM)-Gallup

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order**
—Senator John Pinto, Co-Chair, Indian Affairs Committee

- 9:05 a.m. (5) [Welcome and Status Update](#)
—Jackie McKinney, Mayor, Gallup
—Christopher Dyer, Ph.D., Executive Director, UNM-Gallup

- 10:00 a.m. (6) [School District Transportation Challenges and Solutions: The School
District Perspective](#)
—Representative, Gallup-McKinley County School District (Invited)
—Don Levinski, Superintendent, Central Consolidated School District
(Invited)
—Barry Williams, Superintendent, Apache County School District
—Tommie Yazzie, Superintendent, Red Mesa Unified School District
—Lynette Michalski, Superintendent, Window Rock School District

12:00 noon **Lunch**

- 1:00 p.m. (7) [School District Transportation Challenges and Solutions: The
Executive Branch Perspective](#)
—Paul Aguilar, Deputy Secretary, Public Education Department (PED)
—Nadine Groenig, Director of Indian Affairs, Arizona Department of
Education
—DeAlva Calabaza, Assistant Secretary for Indian Education, PED

- 3:00 p.m. (8) [School District Transportation Challenges and Solutions: The Legislative Branch Perspective](#)
—Senator Carlyle Begay, Legislative District 7, Arizona State Senate
—Representative Jennifer D. Benally, Legislative District 7, Arizona State House of Representatives
—Representative Albert "Ahbihay" Hale, Esq., Legislative District 7, Arizona State House of Representatives
—Senator George K. Munoz, District 4, New Mexico Senate
—Representative D. Wonda Johnson, District 5, New Mexico House of Representatives

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**